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1. MOSCOW, SEPTEMBER 13-- TEN AMERICAN UNDERGRADUATE COLLEGE STUDENTS FROM THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK (SUNNY) ARRIVED WITH THEIR FACULTY ADVISOR IN MOSCOW LAST NIGHT TO COMPLETE THE START OF THE FIRST REGULAR SOVIET-AMERICAN UNDERGRADUATE EXCHANGE PROJECT. EARLIER, A SIMILAR GROUP OF SOVIET STUDENTS ARRIVED AT THE ALBANY, NEW YORK CAMPUS OF SUNY FOR A SEMESTER'S STUDY OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND AMERICAN CULTURE.

2. THE TEN AMERICAN STUDENTS, SIX GIRLS AND FOUR BOYS, HAVE STUDIED RUSSIAN AT SUNY AND ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO PRACTICING IT FIRST-HAND IN THE SOVIET UNION. THEY WILL TAKE CLASSES AT THE PRESTIGIOUS MOSCOW INSTITUTE OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES NAMED AFTER MAURICE THOREZ AND WILL VISIT VARIOUS CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL SITES IN THE USSR.

3. THE GROUP'S FACULTY ADVISOR, PROFESSOR EDWARD NORDBY, SAID THE AMERICAN STUDENTS WERE EXCITED TO BE IN MOSCOW STUDING WITH SOVIET STUDENTS. THEIR SOVIET COUNTERPARTS IN ALBANY HAD GIVEN THEM A SEND-OFF PARTY AT SUNY THE NIGHT BEFORE.
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